Environmental clearance for Power Project in **M.P.**

†1589. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for 1000 MW Thermal Power Station Project referred to Government by Government of Madhya Pradesh has been cleared by the Ministry of Environment and Forests;

(b) if not, by when the said project would be cleared;

(c) whether the coal linkage proposal for the said project has also been cleared; and

(d) if not, by when the said proposal would be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) A request was received from Madhya Pradesh Power Generating Company Ltd. (MPSEB) in May, 2002 seeking site clearance to the proposed project of 2x500 MW at Malwa, Purni. Since the proposed project did not fall under the category of pithead thermal power plant, therefore, no site clearance as per Environment Impact Assessment (ElA) Notification, 1994 and its subsequent amendments, is necessary. A complete proposal for environment clearance is yet to be received in Ministry of Environment and Forests from the Project Authority.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) A proposal from MPSEB was received in the Ministry of Power for long term coal linkage for the proposed power project. This Ministry has recommended to Ministry of Coal on 09.09.2005 for grant of long-term coal linkage of 12 Million Tonne per Annum (MTPA).

Restarting of DPC

1590. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:
SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central State Panel constituted to thrash out details for restarting the Dabhol plant has worked out details for operation of the Power Project and submitted its report;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.